



# Wanted:

## Planters for Presquile NWR



Saturday, September 9,  
Friday, September 22  
Saturday, September 30  
Wednesday, October 4

Monday, September 11  
Saturday, September 23  
Tuesday, October 3  
Saturday, October 21

Join the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay, the Audubon Society, the James River Association, and Presquile National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) staff as we restore 20 acres of habitat for wildlife & water quality at Presquile National NWR.

Presquile NWR, a largely pristine island on the James River just north of the city of Hopewell, is part of a recently designated Audubon Important Bird Area (IBA) in Virginia and provides important habitat for birds and other wildlife.

The 1300 acre refuge contains large tracts of marsh and tupelo swamp that play an important role in maintaining water quality in the James in addition to providing wildlife habitat. We'll be planting over 3,500 native trees and shrubs to provide wildlife habitat, prevent stream bank erosion, and promote water quality.



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It's a big project with tremendous rewards, and we need all the help we can get to make it a success! Perfect for service learning classes, corporate service groups, and anyone wishing to restore a wild and wonderful island in the James River. Children age 10 to 16 accompanied by parent or legal guardian, please.

### Online registration at

[http://www.jamesriverassociation.org/watershed\\_plant.html](http://www.jamesriverassociation.org/watershed_plant.html)

Groups gather at the ferry at 8:30 am and return 1 pm each day.

Tools, snacks and beverages will be provided.

There are 30 volunteer slots available for each day.

### Questions?

Contact Amber Foster at (804) 730-2898, ext 206

or

Leslie Middleton at (804) 775-0951.



Audubon IMPORTANT BIRD AREAS

This project is a partnership of the National Wildlife Refuges (Presquile NWR), the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay, Audubon Important Bird Area, the James River Association and the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation.